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TITLE OF INVENTION: ILLUMINATED FOOT-SWITCH
APPLICANT: TYCO HEALTHCARE GROUP, LP
DATE: December 3, 2004

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir/Madam:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

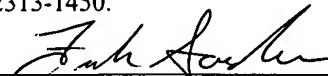
Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claim which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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